

"The Lord Is Kind and Merciful."

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 17, 2017



THE SETON SENTINEL

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

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Office Hours:

Monday- Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Weekends and Evenings by appointment only

Parish Office is closed for all Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.

Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:15pm to 3:45pm
or by appointment

Mission Statement:

"We are Called....

To act with Justice,

To love Tenderly,

To Serve One Another,

To Walk Humbly with God"

Paraphrased from Micah 6:8 by David Haas



Today, we kick-off the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Special Envelopes are located at the entrance of the church. You may also make your donation safely on-line at dioceseofscranton.org Follow the link to the Annual Appeal. Our parish goal is \$47,000.00. Please help us do our part for the Diocese as we express our unity through charity.

Regional Networking Meetings for Worship

The Office for Parish Life will hold regional meetings for all those involved with liturgy to network and to address upcoming events and projects offered through the Office of Parish Life, including upcoming activities of the local chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. All liturgy committee members, liturgical ministers, music ministers are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be held thisTuesday, September 19 at 6:30PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville. To register for any of these meetings, please complete the registration form or contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213.

THANK YOU FROM OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Our Knights of Columbus want to thank everyone who helped with last weekend 's Chicken Barbeque. Thank you to all who donated baked goods, helped in any way, and to all who came out to support us. The BBQ was a

huge success! See you in the Spring!

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS RUMMAGE SALE



It's time to start cleaning out your closets, bedrooms, garages, etc. and bring your unwanted items to our Rummage Sale on the following dates:

Collection Dates: Monday & Tuesday, October 2 & 3, from 8:30am to 6pm.

Sale Dates: Monday & Tuesday, October 9 (9am to

6pm) and October 10 (9am to 5pm).

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING:

Our Christian Mothers will meet **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **September 17th**, at **2pm** in our church hall. New members are welcome!

Parish Staff

Cora Artim Children's Choir

Phil Bosha Maintenance

Chris Calore Maintenance

Scott Coates
Contemporary Mass Musician

Sister Jane Ellis, IHM Pastoral Care Minister

Rev. Joseph J. Pisaneschi V.F. *Pastor*

Lori Raymond

Pastoral Associate

Joseph Sabol Assistant Organist

Monica Salis Business Manager

Marge Semanek

Director of Music

Sister Marion Tarone, IHM Director of Religious Education

Rev. Anthony Urban Weekend Celebrant

Deacon Jack Ziegler Permanent Deacon



SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Our Social Concerns Committee will meet this **Thursday, September 21st, at 7pm in our church hall** to discuss our upcoming Fall fundraisers. New members are always welcome!

ATTENTION: USHERS

Ushers, please count attendance at all masses, including the balcony, & continue counts each weekend, until further notice. Count sheets are located on the stand with the Mass Gift-Bearer Sheets.

FESTIVAL APPRECIATION PARTY

The Festival Workers' Appreciation Party will be held Sunday, September 24th, from 1-4pm in our church hall. All who worked or helped in ANY way are invited to attend. Food, Music, & Fun!! The sign-up sheets are on the tables at the church entrance. This is the last weekend to sign-up.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION RESUMES

Classes resume Saturday, September 16th, and Monday, September 18th. Registration forms are on the tables at the church entrance, and also online at setonpa.com under Religious Education, and also on our mobile App. If you have not yet registered your child, please do so as soon as possible.

Youth Choir practices are at 4:45 until 5:45. Practices will be Mondays. The Youth Choir monthly mass will be the first Sunday of the month at 10:00am. The Christmas Play will have a modern day twist on Dicken's, "Christmas Carol." Play practices will involve most of the weekends in December. The Christmas Play will be on Monday, December 18th, at 6:30 in the church hall. Play parts will be assigned in October. Hope to see many parish youth there. All are welcome!

ADULT CHOIR

Practices on Wednesday at 6:30 in the balcony beginning September 13th. All those who like to sing are welcome to join us.

ADULT SACRAMENTS

Anyone aged 15 and older who needs the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist, & Confirmation), and would like to receive these sacraments, please call Father Joe, as classes will begin soon.

Direct Contacts

Office of Pastoral Care (Sr. Jane): 570-763-5160 sisterjane@setonpa.com

Faith Formation Office (Sr. Marion): 570-287-4587 sistermarion@setonpa.com

Father Joe's email: fatherjoey@aol.com

Parish direct email: setonpa@aol.com

Bulletin deadline: Friday, one week prior to the publication week.

Prayer Chain

Our Prayer Chain meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9am in our church hall. Volunteers are needed to join in the Seton Prayer Chain. To become one of our prayer partners contact Gail at 570-690-7520. If anyone is in need of prayer, contact Gail at that number or call Lori in the parish office. All calls are confidential.



Log on to setonpa.com and sign-up

for Electronic Giving. It is the easy, safe, fast way to remember your offerings. Even if you are away from home or cannot make it to our church every week. This is a way to keep up with your sacrificial offerings. You may chose to give weekly or monthly, pay dues, or other offerings.

Look for the link and click:



SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE-Fall Craft Show Nov. 4th

VENDORS WANTED: The Social Concerns Committee is seeking Homemade Craft Vendors for its Annual Fall Craft Show, scheduled for Saturday, November 4, 2017, from 9am to 3pm. Please note that this year's show will feature only homemade crafts, not commercially produced items. For further information, please speak with one of the committee members or visit: www.setonpa.com and click on the "Fall Craft Show" button to download a copy of the Vendor Contract. We kindly request that you do not call the Church for information. Thank you!

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 2/3

Sunday: \$6805.00 Dues: \$3132.00 Loose: \$610.18 E-Giving: \$223.63

Holy Days: \$5.00 **TOTAL:** \$10,775.81

DIOCESAN:

Church in Eastern Europe: \$104.00

Annual Assessments:

For the 2017-2018 School Year our Parish's contribution to the Diocesan Catholic School System is \$102,533.04.

Each month \$8,544.42 of our collections go to support the Catholic Schools.

Our Parochial Assessment paid to the Diocese of Scranton for the 2018 Fiscal Year is **\$82,376.00**. Each month that equals another \$6,864.67 from our collections.

The yearly insurance bill of \$37,906 was recently paid by the Festival Profits.

"Give to the Most High God, as God has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and God will give back to you sevenfold."

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Sought

Little Flower Manor Nursing Home, Wilkes-Barre, is in need of Eucharistic Ministers to assist in distributing Holy Communion to residents who are unable to attend daily Mass. If you are a Eucharistic Minister and you are able to volunteer a couple of hours a week, or if you would like more information, please contact Deacon Jack (570/510-4829). Your commitment would be one day per week, either in the morning or afternoon, your choice.

BOY SCOUT TROOP #143 CAR SHOW & FLEA MARKET

Boy Scout Troop #143, Swoyersville, is sponsoring its 4th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, to be held on **Sunday, September 24th,** (rain date-Sunday, Oct. 1st) from **9am to 3pm** at Hugh B. Hughes Funeral Home parking lot, 1044 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort. Please join us for a day of live entertainment, food, & raffles. Car Sponsors-\$10. Flea Market Vendors-\$15. Contact Caroline Magistro at 570-288-0294.

St. Joseph's Center Job Fair

Are you looking for a rewarding career where you can make a difference in people's lives? Come to St. Joseph's Job Fair, Thursday, Sept. 21st, 10am -4pm. St. Josephs' Center DeNaples Building, 320 S. Blakely St., Dunmore. Full time-Part time-weekend shifts. Call 570-963-1282 for more info.

SCHOLASTIC CHESS CLUB

Attention students in grades 2 through 8. The Regal Rooks Chess Club meets on Tuesdays from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the parish center across from Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Hudson Road, Plains. All students from public, private, & parochial schools are welcome to join. You don't need to know how to play chess; we will teach you all of the basics and even strategy and tactics. To register and RSVP go to www.academyofchessllc.com on the "How to Join" link then select Regal Rooks link. Any questions call: 570-574-4603

GIFT CARD BINGO: St. Leo's/Holy Rosary Church, 33 Manhattan St., Ashley, on Sunday, Sept. 24th. Doors open at 12 noon; games at 1pm. \$10 admission includes 1 baby bingo card. Food, beverages, bake sale, Chinese Auction, Special, & TicTac.

CONCERT TODAY

Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown, is hosting Greg Buchanan, of California, a world-class harpist who uses music to express his love for Jesus, bringing a varied program of gospel, sacred, classic, & jazz. Sunday, Sept. 17th, 7pm. Free will offering.

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis It is is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

Announced Masses for the Week

Monday,

September 18

8:00 a.m. Theodore Skrainy Sister, Sophie Pointon

Tuesday September 19 St. Januarius

8:00 a.m. Andy Husovsky Sr. Dan, Betsy, & Families

Wednesday September 20 Oriental Martyrs

8:00 a.m. Alice Fay Sister, Gladys

Thursday September 21 St. Matthew

8:00 a.m. John Reggie Nephew, Felix

Friday September 22

8:00 a.m. Alberta Kolojejchick Margaret Nevolas

Saturday September 23 Vigil: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Joseph E. Sarnoski Deacon Jack & Karen Ziegler

5:30 p.m. Marie Shampack Husband, Michael

Sunday September 24 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. *Pro Populo*

10:00 a.m. Anthony Strish Brother, Brian

11:30 a.m. Englot Family Steve & Maria Englot 5:30 p.m. Olga Cajka John & Mary Kurlandski

RECENTLY DEPARTED

~~Thomas Urban~~May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

~~In Memory of Maciej Siedlecki offered by Parents, Sister, Brother-in-law, Nephew & Niece

~~In Memory of Siedlecki & Frackiewicz Families offered by Family

FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

~~In Memory of Maciej Siedlecki offered by Parents, Sister, Brother-in-law, Nephew, & Niece



Come to the **41st Annual ROSARY RALLY,** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Come! Pray on this **100th Anniversary of our Lady of Fatima! Next Sunday, September 24th**, Procession begins at 2:00pm, at St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 William St, Pittston. Mass to follow at 3:20pm. All are invited!

Priest's Schedule

Saturday, September 23
4:00 pm—Fr. Plsaneschi
5:30 pm~ Fr. Urban
Sunday, September 24
8:30 am— Fr. Pisaneschi
10:00 am—Fr. Urban
11:30 am-Fr. Pisaneschi

5:30 pm-Fr. Pisaneschi

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